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CABLE ADDRESS  
SEEDBELT  
CODE USED  
A.B.C. 5TH EDITION

# The Belt Seed Company, Inc.

WHOLESALE DEALERS IN

## Selected, Recleaned, Adapted Seeds

CHEAPSIDE, CALVERT & PRATT STREETS

### Baltimore

Jan. 28, 1942.



TELEPHONES  
PLAZA 5688  
PLAZA 5689

Mr. J. R. Magness,  
Head Horticulturist in Charge,  
U.S. Department of Agriculture,  
Washington, D.C.

Attn: M.R.N.

Dear Sir:-

Referring further to your letter of January 3rd,  
we are now enclosing herewith copy of the latest "Seed Belt  
News" which will give you today's prices on the various grasses,  
clovers, etc. which we handle.

Yours very truly,

THE BELT SEED COMPANY INC.

By: 

CAB:MV







“THE GOOD NEIGHBOR IN PRACTICE INSTEAD OF THEORY”

We quote below a letter addressed by one Penna. County Agent to the dealers in his county with regard to the use of Argentine Alfalfa which seems to make good for all the Middle Atlantic Territory.

“Dear Dealer:-

No doubt your customers will ask you about Argentine alfalfa seed. Since the price is about ten dollars less than good domestic seed, there is every reason to expect that some farmers will buy the cheaper seed.

In the tests made at the Pennsylvania Experiment Station in comparison with other sources, the Argentine seed was not too dependable. Some lots produced a satisfactory crop while others did not.

For that reason we are making the recommendation that farmers should not make straight seedings, but that the Argentine should be mixed with good North-western Common alfalfa seed. For many farms where a straight seeding of alfalfa is not necessary, it is a good practice to put red clover and also alsyke in the mixture.

Three parts alfalfa, two parts of red clover and one part alsyke are sometimes used.”

Yours truly—  
County Agent.

E. D. WHITE, ASSISTANT CHIEF, AAA,  
BEFORE AMERICAN SEED TRADE ASSOCIATION,  
CHICAGO, JANUARY 19, 1942

“Generally speaking the seed needs for this country in 1942 will be somewhat above normal. The plans call for as much as 50% production increase for some states, no increase in others and slight decreases in a few.

To be more specific, Alsyke, Sweet Clover, Timothy, Alfalfa, Lespedeza and Red Clover are the principal hay and pasture legumes and grasses for which there is a heavy domestic and some foreign demand, including Lend-Lease. Best estimates now indicate that the supplies available for domestic use this year will be about 468 million pounds, compared with an average domestic disappearance of 440 million pounds during the period 1936 to '40, and 518 million pounds last year. Consequently, these seeds will have to be used conservatively -- especially Alfalfa, Red Clover and Timothy. Drought decreased the 1941 acreage of hay and pasture crops in the Northeastern States, and demand may be above normal in these areas.

The United States production goal in 1942 for hay crop seeds is 4,919,000 acres, or 25% more than the 3,923,000 planted in 1941. That, as you know, is a big order.

Lend-Lease requirements in 1942 for Clovers, Alfalfa and Timothy will probably be somewhat greater than the 14,100,000 pounds exported in 1941.”

Bags not returnable

We quote today's values Unbroken Bags

†(F. O. B. Baltimore)

Freight Paid Prices Quoted on Request

Terms: Arrival Draft unless otherwise agreed

\*RED CLOVER

▽ Trinity Hardy Imported.....\$ 9.60

\*RED CLOVER

□ Square Domestic.....14.10  
▽ Trinity Domestic.....14.40

We can supply Va., Md., Pa. Red Clover and  
Sapling. Ask for Prices.

\*SAPLING or MAMMOTH

□ Square Domestic.....13.20  
▽ Trinity Domestic.....13.80

\*ALSYKE

□ Square.....13.20  
▽ Trinity.....14.40

\*ALFALFA

U. S. VERIFIED ORIGIN

Grimm Alfalfa in Bu. bags

▽ Okla.....19.80  
▽ Okla. Kansas.....20.40  
▽ Kansas.....21.00  
▽ Northwestern.....21.60  
▽ Grimm Mont. - N. D. ....22.80  
▽ Grimm Oklahoma.....21.00

▽ Ont. Variegated (Canada) 22.80

Bluetag State sealed & Cert..... 28.80  
N. D. Grimm Alfalfa

\*SWEET CLOVER

▽ White Sweet.....7.20  
▽ Yellow Sweet.....6.90  
▽ Unhulled Sweet.....3.00

\*LESPEDEZAS

□ Korean 25 lb. bu......081½  
▽ Korean 25 lb. bu.....  
▽ Sericia 60 lb. bu., Hulled..  
▽ Kobe 25 lb. bu.....

▽ Ladino Clover......90

\*TIMOTHY

○ Circle.....\$ 3.90  
▽ Trinity.....4.25

\*\*KENTUCKY BLUEGRASS

□ Square.....Per Pound  
▽ Trinity......18½  
......19

▽ Canada Bluegrass......28

\*REDTOP-HERDS GRASS

□ Square......11  
▽ Trinity......11½

\*\*ORCHARD GRASS

○ Domestic......28  
▽ Onion Free......33

SEED GRAINS

Victory Oats (Certified).....1.10  
Improved Fulghum.....1.00  
Seed Oats......90  
Gray Winter Turf Oats.....1.00

SOY BEANS & COW PEAS

Wilson Soy Beans.....  
Va. Soy Beans.....  
Mixed Cow Peas.....

SUDAN-CANE-MILLET

Sudan......03¾  
Amber Sorghum......03  
Hungarian Millet......04½  
German Millet.....  
Japanese Millet......04

▽ Crimson Clover\*\*Tenn.....11.50  
▽ Hairy Vetch\*\*.....10.50  
▽ D. E. Rape\*\*.....16.00  
▽ Austrian Peas.....6.00

PACKING } \*Cotton Bags--35c--net weight  
              } \*\*Burlap Sax-free--gross weight

\*\*LAWN GRASSES

Trinity 100 lb. bags.....\$ .35  
Trinity 5 lb. bags......36  
EVERgreen 100 lb. bags......22  
EVERgreen 1 lb. Packages......24  
Country Club Lawngrass 100 lb. bags .15  
Shady Lawngrass 100 lb. bags......35  
LAWNSPUR 100 lb. bags.....2.25  
LAWNSPUR 25 lb. bags......70

\*\*WHITE CLOVER

▽ Trinity......72  
\*\*FARM and TURF GRASSES  
▽ DOMESTIC RYEGRASS......08  
▽ Perennial Ryegrass Bluetag......14  
▽ CHEWINGS FESCUE......35  
▽ Meadow Fescue......28  
▽ Crested Dogstail......22  
▽ Creeping Bentgrass (30% Velvet) ....70  
▽ Colonial Bentgrass Bluetag......70  
▽ Astoria Bent Bluetag......70  
▽ Seaside Bent Bluetag......65  
▽ Bermuda Grass\*......37  
▽ Tall Meadow Oats Grass......18  
▽ Dallis Grass......34  
▽ Carpet Grass......20  
▽ Brome Grass......22  
▽ Crested Wheat Grass......23

IMPROVED PASTURES

Cornell Pasture Mixt. (per acre) 6.25  
S 50 Timothy.....100.00  
English Wild White Clover.....95.00  
Black Medic.....18.00  
LADINO Clover.....90.00  
Wild Birdsfoot Trefoil.....100.00  
□ PASTURE MIXTURE......15

TRINITY BRAND

INOCULANT

Government Tested and Approved  
LESPEDEZA

CLOVERS and ALFALFA  
1 bu. size 30c 2½ bu. 54c

SOY BEANS & COW PEAS

1 bu. 20c - 25 bu. \$1.50 - 5 bu. 33c



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**BALTIMORE, MD.**

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MARKET REPORT

